

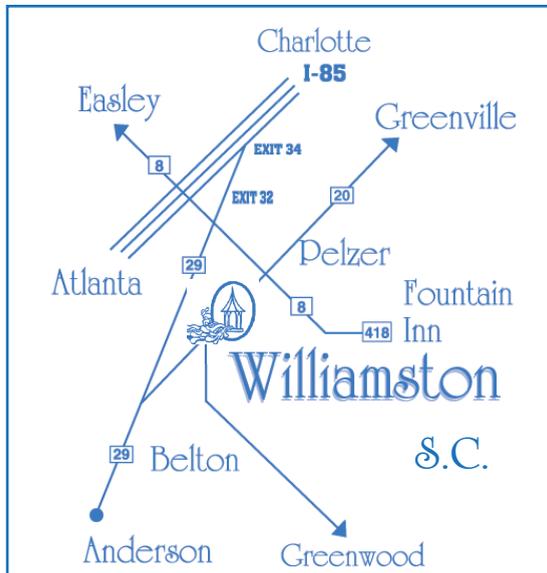
Williamston, Town with a Legacy

In the Fall of 1842, West Allen Williams, a prominent landowner, discovered a mineral spring on his property. As news of the spring's medicinal value spread, a town grew, and Williamston became a major resort.

The Civil War brought an end to Williamston's "golden era" but not without lending a bit of history to the town. The last skirmish east of the Mississippi was fought in Williamston township on May 1, 1865.

In 1871, the Williamston Female College was founded offering educational opportunities to girls. As the college grew, it was moved to its present location in Greenwood and named Lander College in honor of its founder, Dr. Samuel Lander.

Today, Williamston thrives again. The spring still bubbles in Mineral Spring Park in the land West Allen Williams deeded to the town. The people of Williamston are reminded of the town's legacy through two events each year--the Spring Water Festival in August and the Christmas Park in December.



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Come Join Us!

Friday, August 22, 2014
6 pm. - 10 p.m.

Saturday, August 23, 2014
10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

- Arts & Crafts
- Live Entertainment
- Children's Activities
- Amusement Rides
- Spring Water Run
- Free Parking
- Firetruck Rides
- Antique Car Show
- Food
- Exhibits
- Souvenirs
- Free Admission

Mineral Spring Park

State Highway 20

Downtown Williamston

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Williamston's Spring Water Festival has continued to grow in quality and recognition since it was first held in 1981. It is known for providing quality entertainment and special children's activities, an excellent auto show, craft show and exhibits, and having delicious foods and wonderful souvenirs. The

Spring Water Run includes a 5k certified run. The spring, for which the festival is named, still flows offering visitors a cool refreshing drink.

SPRING WATER RUN

The Spring Water Run is a certified RRCA Palmetto Grand Prix Event.

The course is on city streets and country roads with rolling hills. A great way to start the day before enjoying our festival.

ENTERTAINMENT

Come sit in the shade and enjoy the sights and sounds as the Mineral Spring Park comes alive with

a variety of music including beach, bluegrass, gospel, country, rock and more. The amphitheater is the stage for a variety of entertainment and music at the Spring Water Festival. The park's center stage will feature a variety of gospel entertainers. A special stage is dedicated to children's entertainment.

Featuring: Beach Music and Shag Contest with the Original Out of Towners Band on Friday. All day stage entertainment on Saturday including Blue Sky Band, Angela Easterling and Lucus Hoge.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Children's activities are a very special part of Spring

Water Festival. Children can get their faces painted, ride the amusement rides, finger paint and play a variety of kid games.

FOOD

Food is provided by a number of festival vendors. Festival goers can enjoy a variety of selections--barbecue, chicken, hamburgers hot off the grill, hotdogs, corn dogs, homemade ice cream, cotton candy, kettle corn and other specialties.

SOUVENIRS

Visitors can capture a bit of the Spring Water Festival and the history of the town with a variety of souvenirs, including the specially designed Spring Water Festival T-Shirt.

AUTO SHOW

Vintage cars from all over South Carolina and neighboring states will be on display at one of the largest FREE admission shows in the upstate. Street rods, antiques, classics, trucks, muscle cars, street machines and special interest vehicles are expected. The auto show is sponsored by the Williamston Fire Department. The fire department will also be offering \$1 rides on the restored 1936 Chevrolet fire engine.

CRAFTS FAIR

Visitors have come to know and expect the quality of work displayed by our crafters. There will be booths featuring craftsmen from South Carolina, North Carolina and Georgia.

EXHIBITS

Every Festival needs exhibits, and the Spring Water Festival is no exception. Displayed throughout the park are items that will interest the entire family. Learn more about local businesses and obtain information from a variety of organizations. There's sure to be something to attract your attention at the Spring Water Festival.

AMUSEMENT RIDES

Children can enjoy a variety of amusement rides including the Loop-o-Plane, Swing, Spinner, Circus Crawl, Berry-Go-Round, Trackless Train and more.